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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the patent application and other documents listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the patent application and other documents are enclosed.

## REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

	(1)	within three (3) months of the <b>filing date</b> of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), or within three (3) months of the <b>date of entry of the national stage</b> as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing of the <b>first Office action</b> on the merits, or before the mailing of a <b>first Office action</b> after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114; or
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		the requisite Statement is below, OR
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It is respectfully requested that each of the patent application and other documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, be made of record in this application.

## **STATEMENT**

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